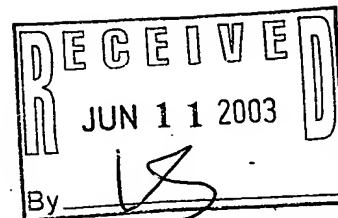


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1. This International Searching Authority

- (i) considers that there are 2 (number of) inventions claimed in the international application covered by the claims indicated ~~below~~ on the extra sheet:

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- (ii) ☒ has carried out a partial international search (see Annex) ☐ will establish the international search report on those parts of the international application which relate to the invention first mentioned in claims Nos.:

1-23, 26-29

- (iii) will establish the international search report on the other parts of the international application only if, and to the extent to which, additional fees are paid

2. The applicant is hereby **invited**, within the time limit indicated above, to pay the amount indicated below:

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The applicant is informed that, according to Rule 40.2(c), the payment of any additional fee may be made under protest, i.e., a reasoned statement to the effect that the international application complies with the requirement of unity of invention or that the amount of the required additional fee is excessive.

3. ☐ Claim(s) Nos. _____ have been found to be unsearchable under Article 17(2)(b) because of defects under Article 17(2)(a) and therefore have not been included with any invention.

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. Claims: 1-23, 26-29

Cut and puncture resistant material comprising a loose internal resistant infrastructure in an interspatial pocket; glove made from the material and method for making material and glove

2. Claims: 24, 25

Cut resistant material comprising a hard, curable layer on a substrate, and method for making it

The same or corresponding technical features of the two subgroups of inventions is a "penetration resistant infrastructure" for improving the cut resistance of a given material. This is no "special technical feature" in the sense of Rule 13.2 PCT inasmuch as these materials are known (see e.g. D1 claims 1 and 2) and does therefore not make a contribution over the prior art.

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COMMUNICATION RELATING TO THE RESULTS
OF THE PARTIAL INTERNATIONAL SEARCH**

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1. The present communication is an Annex to the invitation to pay additional fees (Form PCT/ISA/206). It shows the results of the international search established on the parts of the international application which relate to the invention first mentioned in claims Nos.:

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2. This communication is not the international search report which will be established according to Article 18 and Rule 43.

3. If the applicant does not pay any additional search fees, the information appearing in this communication will be considered as the result of the international search and will be included as such in the international search report.

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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